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# I. WAGE RATES INDEXES

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### Introduction

This section contains particulars of weighted average minimum weekly and hourly wage rates for adult males and adult females for Australia and each State, together with index numbers with base: year 1954 = 100. Less detailed statistics are first published in the monthly publication *Wage Rates Indexes, Australia (Preliminary)* (6311.0).

### Definitions, etc.

2. The wage rates used in the compilation of the indexes are the lowest rates for a full week's work (excluding overtime) prescribed for particular occupations. In the majority of cases the rates are prescribed in awards or determinations of Federal or State industrial authorities or in collective agreements registered with them. Some awards included in the indexes are regarded as 'paid rates' awards. Rates prescribed in unregistered collective agreements are used where these are dominant in the particular industries to which they refer.
3. The Wage Rates Indexes are based on the occupation structure existing in 1954. Weights for each industry and each occupation were derived from two sample surveys made in that year. The first was the Survey of Awards in April 1954, which showed the number of employees covered by individual awards, determinations and collective agreements, and provided employee weights for each industry as well as a basis for the Survey of Award Occupations made in November 1954. This second survey showed the number of employees in each occupation within selected awards, etc. in the various industries, thereby providing occupation weights. Revised indexes based on more up to date weighting patterns are being developed and are expected to be published in 1982.
4. The minimum wage rates used in the indexes are for representative occupations within each industry in each State. They have been derived entirely from representative awards, determinations and collective agreements in force at the end of each period commencing with March 1939 for adult males and March 1951 for adult females. The current index for adult males includes rates for 3,415 award designations prescribed in 501 awards, determinations and collective agreements. As some of these designations are operative within more than one industry, or in more than one State, the total number of individual award occupations is 2,313. For adult females the corresponding numbers are 1,100 award designations, 187 awards, etc. and 515 individual award occupations. By use of the industry and occupation weights derived from the surveys described above, these rates were combined to give weighted averages for each industry group for each State and Australia. Because of coverage difficulties the rural industry is not included in the indexes. A list of the major awards used in the compilation of the wage rates index for adult males, together with explanatory notes, was shown in the combined July and August 1974 issue of this publication. The industry weighting pattern of the indexes is shown on page 80 of *Labour Statistics, 1975* (6101.0).
5. Because the indexes are designed to measure movements in prescribed minimum rates of 'wages' as distinct from 'salaries', those awards, etc. which relate solely or mainly to salary earners are excluded. Thus awards relating to employees in the Finance and Property industry group (banking, insurance, etc.) are excluded, as are awards relating to occupations such as engineers, scientists, architects, teachers, nurses, etc. and to administrative employees in government services. Some awards that specify annual rates of pay for certain occupations mainly in government employment (for example, mail officers, postal officers, drivers, linemen, telecommunications technicians, clerical assistants, office machine operators, typists, telephonists, etc.) are included.
6. The rates for particular occupations used in the indexes are prescribed in awards, determinations and collective agreements as set out in paragraph 2 above. Relevant rates of prescribed minimum wages for adult males and adult females (see page 19) are used when applicable. For some occupations general loadings of various kinds are included. Loadings, etc. that are not applicable to all workers in a specified award occupation (for example, those payable because of length of service; working in wet, dirty or confined places; excess fares incurred due to location of building site) are excluded. Annual leave loadings, prescribed in many awards, etc., are also excluded. The ten per cent additions to minimum wage rates for adult males, first prescribed in some Western Australian State awards in October 1970, are included. The weekly rates used in the index for occupations specified in the National Building Trades Construction Award include the weekly base rate of pay, the special allowance and the industry allowance. From September 1978 the indexes include supplementary payments under the Metal Industry Award, Part I, applicable in all States except Western Australia. In Western Australia, similar payments under the corresponding award, the Western Australian Metal Trades Award (General), have been included since January 1976.
7. In recent years the award rates of pay for some government employees have been based on actual rates of pay for employees in the private sector, which include over-award payments, loadings, etc. Thus award rates of pay for government employees in certain occupations will be higher than those for private employees in comparable occupations. This may affect the relative levels of the weighted average minimum wage rates in industry groups which have a large component of government employees (for example, the Communication group).
8. The indexes are designed to measure trends in wage rates in current awards, etc. excluding the effects of changes in the relative importance of industries, awards and occupations. The weighted average wage rates shown in the tables in this section are therefore indexes expressed in money terms and do not purport to be actual current averages. Similarly, neither these weighted average wage rates nor the corresponding index numbers measure the relative levels of average current wage rates as between States or industries.



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9. Since 1954 the industrial structure in Australia has undergone changes which are likely to have had some effects on the representativeness of the regimen of the indexes. These effects are mitigated because occupations in new or expanding industries are often covered by existing awards and the wage rates for new occupations usually conform very closely to those for existing occupations. Also, where an entirely new award has been made and the number of employees affected has warranted such action, occupations from the new award have been introduced into the indexes. These latter cases have not been of great significance.

10. Weighted average minimum weekly wage rates for adult males and adult females covered by *Federal awards, etc.* and for those covered by *State awards, etc.* (as defined below) are shown separately in Tables 8 and 13. The wage rates for these two categories may change at any time as a result of the transfer of particular awards or occupations from one jurisdiction to another.

Relevant definitions are as follows:

*Federal awards, etc.* include awards of, or collective agreements registered with, the Australian Conciliation and Arbitration Commission and the Coal Industry Tribunal, and determinations of the Australian Public Service Arbitrator.

*State awards, etc.* include awards or determinations of, or collective agreements registered with, State industrial tribunals together with certain unregistered collective agreements where these are dominant in the particular industries to which they refer.

11. The proportions of employees covered by Federal and State awards, etc. vary considerably between States. In addition, the proportions of employees engaged in the respective industries and occupations differ from State to State. As a result there may be relatively wide differences between the weighted average wage rates in the several States.

12. In some cases, when awards etc. are varied, the new wage rates are made retrospective. Also there is generally an unavoidable, and sometimes considerable, delay in the receipt of notification of changes in wage rates in respect of the occupations included in the indexes. Because of these delays, etc., the figures in this publication are subject to revision. As such revisions are made they are published in the normal monthly tables of this publication. Considerations of space preclude the publication herein of revised figures for each industry group in each State but these are available on request.

13. A table showing the distribution of weekly wage rates included in the wage rates indexes, the weighted averages and medians of the indexes, and the proportion of index weights for wage rates equal to the various minimum wages, for May 1981 was published in *Wage Rates Indexes, Australia, May 1981 (Preliminary)* (6311.0).

14. The titles of a number of the industry groups shown have been abbreviated due to lack of space.

#### Related publications

15. Wage rates and index numbers for adult males are available as at the end of each quarter from March 1939 to December 1956 and as at the end of each month from January 1957. Particulars for adult females have been compiled quarterly from March 1951 to June 1967 and monthly from July 1967. For details of wage rates and index numbers from 1939 reference should be made to the following publications :

*Minimum Wage Rates, March 1939 to June 1965* (6313.0)

*Wage Rates Indexes, June 1965 to June 1968* (6314.0)

*Wage Rates Indexes, June 1968 to June 1972* (6314.0)

*Wage Rates and Earnings, June 1976* (6312.0) for final figures July 1972 to June 1975

Figures subsequent to June 1975 will be found in the July 1976 and later issues of this publication and in the July 1976 and later issues of the monthly publication *Wage Rates Indexes, Australia (Preliminary)* (6311.0).

16. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

17. Users may also wish to refer to publications of earnings and income listed in Sub-groups 63 and 65 of the Catalogue. These publications are available on request from any ABS office.

R. J. CAMERON  
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TABLE 1. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES - ADULT MALES, INDUSTRY GROUPS, AUSTRALIA (A)  
WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (EXCLUDING OVERTIME), AS PRESCRIBED IN AWARDS,  
DETERMINATIONS AND COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS ; AND INDEX NUMBERS OF WAGE RATES.

INDUSTRY GROUP	1981											1982		
	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEP.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.
WAGE RATES (\$)														
MINING AND QUARRYING (B)(C)	230.41	229.66	229.38	237.31	237.93	237.86	237.86	237.82	239.26	241.13	258.01	259.76	259.56	259.56
MANUFACTURING -														
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES (C)	185.73	185.74	185.74	192.37	192.41	192.92	193.61	193.67	193.89	195.09	207.87	208.88	208.94	209.08
TEXTILES, CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR	179.47	179.47	179.52	185.98	185.98	187.20	187.20	187.25	187.89	190.60	199.46	200.12	204.66	205.03
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO (C)	189.08	189.15	189.16	196.97	197.33	198.92	199.66	199.71	201.32	203.05	206.76	208.29	209.02	210.11
SAWMILLING, FURNITURE, ETC.	184.10	184.10	184.12	190.64	190.64	190.95	190.95	191.08	191.35	194.56	195.41	199.41	199.75	200.10
PAPER, PRINTING, ETC. (C)	194.16	194.16	194.16	201.01	201.65	201.59	201.82	202.02	202.02	203.07	204.90	206.14	208.95	209.18
OTHER MANUFACTURING (C)	187.64	187.70	187.81	194.48	194.48	194.53	195.14	195.60	196.48	198.40	202.10	204.67	205.85	206.09
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (C)	186.44	186.47	186.50	193.29	193.40	193.98	194.53	194.68	195.24	196.91	204.89	206.48	207.36	207.68
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (C)	208.43	208.86	208.86	216.19	216.19	216.61	216.61	221.23	221.26	228.53	231.22	232.45	234.35	234.35
RAILWAY SERVICES (C)	176.45	176.46	176.57	182.41	182.41	182.41	182.42	186.98	190.33	190.33	192.98	193.04	193.06	193.06
ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT (C)	191.85	191.85	191.86	198.76	198.76	200.88	203.99	204.40	204.40	207.38	209.03	209.59	209.62	209.83
SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING (C)(D)	230.90	231.01	231.01	239.35	239.35	239.46	239.46	239.65	239.77	240.94	241.67	247.12	247.54	247.56
COMMUNICATION	224.01	224.01	224.01	232.07	232.07	232.07	232.07	238.06	239.72	239.72	240.11	240.11	240.11	240.11
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE (C)	193.80	193.97	194.01	201.10	201.10	201.46	202.24	202.29	203.70	206.80	211.66	213.43	214.05	217.20
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES, SERVICES	194.93	194.93	195.03	202.06	202.06	202.30	203.78	204.89	210.82	213.73	215.22	217.08	217.31	217.80
AMUSEMENTS, HOTELS, ETC.	180.05	180.10	180.10	186.34	186.34	187.06	188.04	188.77	190.32	191.33	194.39	196.10	196.23	197.56
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (C) (E)	193.99	194.07	194.08	201.05	201.13	201.62	202.44	203.59	204.37	207.02	212.73	214.23	215.01	215.66
INDEX NUMBERS (F)														
MINING AND QUARRYING (B)(C)	815.8	813.2	812.2	840.3	842.5	842.2	842.2	842.1	847.2	853.8	913.6	919.7	919.0	919.0
MANUFACTURING -														
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES (C)	657.6	657.7	657.7	681.1	681.3	683.1	685.5	685.8	686.5	690.8	736.0	739.6	739.8	740.3
TEXTILES, CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR	635.5	635.5	635.7	658.5	658.5	662.8	662.8	663.0	665.3	674.9	706.2	708.6	724.7	726.0
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO (C)	669.5	669.8	669.8	697.4	698.7	704.3	707.0	707.1	712.8	719.0	732.1	737.5	740.1	744.0
SAWMILLING, FURNITURE, ETC.	651.9	651.9	651.9	675.0	675.0	676.1	676.1	676.6	677.5	688.9	691.9	706.1	707.3	708.5
PAPER, PRINTING, ETC. (C)	687.5	687.5	687.5	711.8	714.0	713.6	714.6	715.3	715.3	719.0	725.5	729.9	739.9	740.7
OTHER MANUFACTURING (C)	664.4	664.6	665.0	688.6	688.6	688.8	690.9	692.6	695.7	702.5	715.6	724.7	728.9	729.7
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (C)	660.2	660.3	660.4	684.4	684.8	686.8	688.8	689.3	691.3	697.2	725.5	731.1	734.2	735.4
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (C)	738.0	739.5	739.5	765.5	765.5	767.0	767.0	783.3	783.4	809.2	818.7	823.1	829.8	829.8
RAILWAY SERVICES (C)	624.8	624.8	625.2	645.9	645.9	645.9	662.1	673.9	673.9	683.3	683.5	683.6	683.6	683.6
ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT (C)	679.3	679.3	679.3	703.8	703.8	711.3	722.3	723.7	723.7	734.3	740.2	742.1	742.2	743.0
SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING (C)(D)	817.6	818.0	818.0	847.5	847.5	847.9	847.9	848.6	849.0	853.1	855.7	875.0	876.5	876.6
COMMUNICATION	793.2	793.2	793.2	821.7	821.7	821.7	821.7	842.9	848.8	848.8	850.2	850.2	850.2	850.2
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE (C)	686.2	686.8	686.9	712.1	712.1	713.3	716.1	716.3	721.3	721.3	749.4	755.7	757.9	769.1
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES, SERVICES	690.2	690.2	690.6	715.5	715.5	716.3	721.6	725.5	746.5	756.8	762.0	768.6	769.5	771.2
AMUSEMENTS, HOTELS, ETC.	637.5	637.7	637.7	659.8	659.8	662.3	665.8	668.4	673.9	677.5	688.3	694.4	694.8	699.5
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (C) (E)	686.9	687.2	687.2	711.9	712.1	713.9	716.8	720.9	723.6	733.0	753.2	758.6	761.3	763.6

(A) FIGURES ARE SUBJECT TO REVISION (B) FOR MINING, WAGE RATES USED ARE THOSE PRESCRIBED FOR THE PRINCIPAL MINING CENTRES AND INCLUDE LEAD BONUSSES, ETC. (C) INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY AWARD, PART 1, FROM SEPTEMBER 1978. (D) INCLUDES WAGE RATES (AND VALUE OF KEEP) FOR OCCUPATIONS IN THE COASTAL SHIPPING SERVICES, OTHER THAN MASTERS, ENGINEERS AND OTHER OFFICERS. (E) EXCLUDES RURAL INDUSTRY. (F) BASE-WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATE, AUSTRALIA, YEAR 1954 = 100.

TABLE 2. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES - ADULT MALES, INDUSTRY GROUPS, NEW SOUTH WALES (A)  
WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (EXCLUDING OVERTIME), AS PRESCRIBED IN AWARDS,  
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WAGE RATES (\$)														
MINING AND QUARRYING (B)	249.90	248.49	247.97	256.47	257.63	257.33	257.33	257.27	259.45	259.84	285.24	288.10	287.31	287.31
MANUFACTURING -														
ENGINEERING,METALS,VEHICLES(C)	180.98	180.98	180.98	187.49	187.49	187.58	187.58	187.58	187.77	188.87	203.38	203.71	203.71	203.71
TEXTILES,CLOTHING,FOOTWEAR	178.92	178.92	178.92	185.36	185.36	185.36	185.36	185.36	186.06	189.74	198.70	199.29	204.35	204.77
FOOD,DRINK AND TOBACCO (C)	187.49	187.67	187.67	194.64	195.58	196.80	198.94	198.94	200.78	202.07	204.39	207.17	207.88	208.57
SAWMILLING,FURNITURE,ETC.	186.61	186.61	186.61	193.10	193.10	193.10	193.10	193.10	193.87	195.23	197.33	197.33	197.33	197.33
PAPER,PRINTING,ETC. (C)	188.67	188.67	188.67	195.47	196.46	196.46	197.03	197.36	197.36	198.18	201.25	203.11	203.11	203.44
OTHER MANUFACTURING (C)	189.67	189.67	189.67	196.45	196.45	196.45	197.43	197.64	198.17	199.77	202.93	207.05	207.98	207.98
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (C)	184.09	184.12	184.12	190.75	190.91	191.10	191.57	191.63	192.13	193.51	202.61	204.05	204.62	204.75
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (C)	213.53	213.54	213.54	221.44	221.45	221.45	221.45	226.87	226.87	234.21	238.87	239.05	241.18	241.18
RAILWAY SERVICES	170.32	170.32	170.32	176.46	176.46	176.46	176.46	176.46	176.46	176.46	176.46	176.51	176.51	176.51
ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT (C)	197.66	197.66	197.66	204.77	204.77	205.50	211.27	211.27	211.27	213.60	215.15	215.15	215.15	215.15
SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING (D)	234.84	234.84	234.84	243.32	243.32	243.32	243.32	243.45	243.55	244.33	244.63	251.64	251.64	251.64
COMMUNICATION	223.99	223.99	223.99	232.04	232.04	232.04	232.04	238.16	239.71	239.71	240.00	240.00	240.00	240.00
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE (C)	193.36	193.36	193.36	200.34	200.34	200.34	201.58	201.58	203.51	206.07	211.51	213.07	213.07	217.11
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES,SERVICES	195.99	195.99	195.99	203.06	203.06	203.06	207.11	207.11	213.32	217.19	217.19	220.32	220.32	220.32
AMUSEMENTS,HOTELS,ETC.	183.22	183.22	183.22	189.82	189.82	189.82	191.72	193.46	194.61	195.17	196.52	197.10	197.10	198.63
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (C) (E)	194.62	194.57	194.54	201.55	201.69	201.80	202.58	203.51	204.36	206.49	213.67	215.03	215.53	216.18
INDEX NUMBERS (F)														
MINING AND QUARRYING (B)	884.9	879.9	878.0	908.1	912.2	911.2	911.2	910.9	918.7	920.1	1010.0	1020.1	1017.3	1017.3
MANUFACTURING -														
ENGINEERING,METALS,VEHICLES(C)	640.8	640.8	640.8	663.9	663.9	664.2	664.2	664.2	664.9	668.7	720.1	721.3	721.3	721.3
TEXTILES,CLOTHING,FOOTWEAR	633.5	633.5	633.5	656.3	656.3	656.3	656.3	656.3	658.8	671.8	703.6	705.7	723.6	725.1
FOOD,DRINK AND TOBACCO (C)	663.9	664.5	664.5	689.2	692.5	696.8	704.4	704.4	710.9	715.5	723.7	733.6	736.1	738.5
SAWMILLING,FURNITURE,ETC.	660.7	660.7	660.7	683.7	683.7	683.7	683.7	683.7	686.5	691.3	698.7	698.7	698.7	698.7
PAPER,PRINTING,ETC. (C)	668.1	668.1	668.1	692.1	695.6	695.6	697.6	698.8	698.8	701.7	712.6	719.2	719.2	720.3
OTHER MANUFACTURING (C)	671.6	671.6	671.6	695.6	695.6	695.6	699.1	699.8	701.7	707.3	718.5	733.1	736.4	736.4
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (C)	651.8	651.9	651.9	675.4	676.0	676.6	678.3	678.5	680.3	685.2	717.4	722.5	724.5	725.0
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (C)	756.1	756.1	756.1	784.1	784.1	784.1	784.1	803.3	803.3	829.3	845.8	846.4	854.0	854.0
RAILWAY SERVICES	603.1	603.1	603.1	624.8	624.8	624.8	624.8	624.8	624.8	624.8	624.8	625.0	625.0	625.0
ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT (C)	699.9	699.9	699.9	725.1	725.1	727.6	748.1	748.1	748.1	756.3	761.8	761.8	761.8	761.8
SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING (D)	831.5	831.5	831.5	861.5	861.5	861.5	861.5	862.0	862.4	865.1	866.2	891.0	891.0	891.0
COMMUNICATION	793.1	793.1	793.1	821.6	821.6	821.6	821.6	843.3	848.8	848.8	849.8	849.8	849.8	849.8
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE (C)	684.6	684.6	684.6	709.4	709.4	709.4	713.8	713.8	720.6	729.6	748.9	754.4	754.4	768.8
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES,SERVICES	694.0	694.0	694.0	719.0	719.0	719.0	733.3	733.3	755.3	769.0	769.0	780.1	780.1	780.1
AMUSEMENTS,HOTELS,ETC.	648.7	648.7	648.7	672.1	672.1	672.1	678.9	685.0	689.1	691.1	695.8	697.9	697.9	703.3
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (C) (E)	689.1	688.9	688.8	713.7	714.2	714.6	717.3	720.6	723.6	731.1	756.6	761.4	763.2	765.5

(A) FIGURES ARE SUBJECT TO REVISION (B) FOR MINING, WAGE RATES USED ARE THOSE PRESCRIBED FOR THE PRINCIPAL MINING CENTRES AND INCLUDE LEAD BONUSES,ETC (C) INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY AWARD, PART 1, FROM SEPTEMBER 1978. (D) INCLUDES WAGE RATES(AND VALUE OF KEEP) FOR OCCUPATIONS IN THE COASTAL SHIPPING SERVICES, OTHER THAN MASTERS, ENGINEERS AND OTHER OFFICERS. (E) EXCLUDES RURAL INDUSTRY. (F) BASE-WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATE, AUSTRALIA, YEAR 1954= 100.

TABLE 3. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES - ADULT MALES, INDUSTRY GROUPS, VICTORIA (A)  
WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (EXCLUDING OVERTIME), AS PRESCRIBED IN AWARDS,  
DETERMINATIONS AND COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS ; AND INDEX NUMBERS OF WAGE RATES.

INDUSTRY GROUP	1981											1982		
	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEP.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.
WAGE RATES (\$)														
MINING AND QUARRYING (B)(C)	188.57	188.57	188.57	195.25	195.25	195.94	195.94	195.94	199.17	201.17	206.39	208.60	211.32	211.32
MANUFACTURING -														
ENGINEERING,METALS,VEHICLES(C)	189.03	189.11	189.11	195.89	195.89	196.64	197.49	197.70	198.16	198.54	213.07	214.44	214.49	214.77
TEXTILES,CLOTHING,FOOTWEAR	179.70	179.70	179.70	186.17	186.17	188.46	188.46	188.46	189.22	191.27	200.54	201.35	205.76	205.97
FOOD,DRINK AND TOBACCO (C)	191.22	191.22	191.22	198.65	198.78	200.03	200.03	200.03	202.91	202.91	209.25	210.93	212.14	213.54
SAWMILLING,FURNITURE,ETC.	177.82	177.82	177.82	184.20	184.20	185.54	185.54	185.54	185.54	188.97	189.51	194.66	194.66	195.20
PAPER,PRINTING,ETC. (C)	197.27	197.27	197.27	204.37	204.37	204.37	204.37	204.37	204.37	204.37	206.15	207.07	216.05	216.05
OTHER MANUFACTURING (C)	187.20	187.39	187.72	194.41	194.41	194.41	194.99	195.99	197.75	199.13	204.65	206.43	208.04	208.31
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (C)	187.65	187.72	187.78	194.60	194.61	195.47	195.94	196.23	197.27	198.15	207.65	209.26	210.80	211.22
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (C)	214.18	214.91	214.91	222.03	222.03	222.47	222.47	226.83	226.96	237.23	240.22	244.96	247.76	247.76
RAILWAY SERVICES	163.99	164.05	164.05	169.96	169.96	169.96	169.96	185.43	185.43	185.60	185.60	185.60	185.64	185.64
ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT (C)	186.29	186.29	186.29	192.97	192.97	197.78	198.83	198.83	198.83	200.18	201.91	203.16	203.16	203.92
SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING (C)(D)	233.75	233.75	233.75	242.17	242.17	242.51	242.51	242.51	242.87	244.29	244.98	251.29	251.46	251.55
COMMUNICATION	225.53	225.53	225.53	233.65	233.65	233.65	233.65	239.52	240.89	240.89	241.46	241.46	241.46	241.46
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE (C)	195.83	196.25	196.25	203.50	203.50	204.12	204.76	204.76	207.21	209.14	217.38	220.17	221.40	225.07
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES,SERVICES	193.13	193.13	193.13	199.82	199.82	200.44	200.44	204.66	213.02	213.02	219.00	221.81	221.81	221.81
AMUSEMENTS,HOTELS,ETC.	179.69	179.69	179.69	186.15	186.15	188.12	188.12	188.21	191.63	191.72	194.45	198.67	199.07	200.60
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (C) (E)	192.85	193.03	193.07	200.00	200.01	200.87	201.26	202.91	204.20	206.23	213.30	215.50	216.87	217.68

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MINING AND QUARRYING (B)(C)	667.7	667.7	667.7	691.3	691.3	693.8	693.8	693.8	705.2	712.3	730.8	738.6	748.2	748.2
MANUFACTURING -														
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES (C)	669.3	669.6	669.6	693.6	693.6	696.3	699.3	700.0	701.7	703.0	754.4	759.3	759.5	760.4
TEXTILES, CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR	636.3	636.3	636.3	659.2	659.2	667.3	667.3	667.3	670.0	677.2	710.1	713.0	728.5	729.3
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO (C)	677.1	677.1	677.1	703.4	703.8	708.3	708.3	708.3	718.5	718.5	740.9	746.9	751.2	756.1
SAWMILLING, FURNITURE, ETC.	629.6	629.6	629.6	652.2	652.2	657.0	657.0	657.0	657.0	669.1	671.0	689.3	689.3	691.2
PAPER, PRINTING, ETC. (C)	698.5	698.5	698.5	723.6	723.6	723.6	723.6	723.6	723.6	723.6	729.9	733.2	765.0	765.0
OTHER MANUFACTURING (C)	662.9	663.5	664.7	688.4	688.4	688.4	690.4	694.0	700.2	705.1	724.6	730.9	736.6	737.6
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (C)	664.4	664.7	664.9	689.0	689.1	692.1	693.8	694.8	698.5	701.6	735.2	741.0	746.4	747.9
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (C)	758.4	761.0	761.0	786.2	786.2	787.7	787.7	803.2	803.6	840.0	850.6	867.4	877.3	877.3
RAILWAY SERVICES	580.6	580.9	580.9	601.8	601.8	601.8	601.8	656.6	656.6	657.2	657.2	657.2	657.3	657.3
ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT (C)	659.6	659.6	659.6	683.3	683.3	700.3	704.0	704.0	704.0	708.8	714.9	719.4	719.4	722.0
SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING (C)(D)	827.7	827.7	827.7	857.5	857.5	858.7	858.7	858.7	860.0	865.0	867.4	889.8	890.4	890.7
COMMUNICATION	798.6	798.6	798.6	827.3	827.3	827.3	827.3	848.1	852.9	852.9	855.0	855.0	855.0	855.0
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE (C)	693.4	694.9	694.9	720.6	720.6	722.8	725.0	725.0	733.7	740.5	769.7	779.6	784.0	796.9
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES, SERVICES	683.8	683.8	683.8	707.5	707.5	709.7	709.7	724.7	754.3	754.3	775.4	785.4	785.4	785.4
AMUSEMENTS, HOTELS, ETC.	636.2	636.2	636.2	659.1	659.1	666.1	666.1	666.4	678.5	678.9	688.5	703.5	704.9	710.3
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (C) (E)	682.8	683.5	683.6	708.2	708.2	711.2	712.6	718.5	723.0	730.2	755.3	763.0	767.9	770.8

(A) FIGURES ARE SUBJECT TO REVISION (B) FOR MINING, WAGE RATES USED ARE THOSE PRESCRIBED FOR THE PRINCIPAL MINING CENTRES AND INCLUDE LEAD BONUSES, ETC. (C) INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY AWARD, PART 1, FROM SEPTEMBER 1978. (D) INCLUDES WAGE RATES (AND VALUE OF KEEP) FOR OCCUPATIONS IN THE COASTAL SHIPPING SERVICES, OTHER THAN MASTERS, ENGINEERS AND OTHER OFFICERS. (E) EXCLUDES RURAL INDUSTRY. (F) BASE-WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATE, AUSTRALIA, YEAR 1964 = 100.

TABLE 4. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES - ADULT MALES, INDUSTRY GROUPS, QUEENSLAND (A)  
WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (EXCLUDING OVERTIME), AS PRESCRIBED IN AWARDS,  
DETERMINATIONS AND COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS; AND INDEX NUMBERS OF WAGE RATES.

INDUSTRY GROUP	1981											1982		
	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEP.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.
WAGE RATES (\$)														
MINING AND QUARRYING (B)	233.36	233.36	233.36	241.35	241.35	241.35	241.35	241.35	241.35	244.98	259.84	259.84	259.84	259.84
MANUFACTURING -														
ENGINEERING,METALS,VEHICLES(C)	196.88	196.88	196.88	203.95	203.95	203.99	209.27	209.27	209.27	213.43	219.59	219.59	219.59	219.59
TEXTILES,CLOTHING,FOOTWEAR	182.50	182.50	183.55	190.11	190.11	190.11	190.11	190.99	190.99	195.58	199.49	199.49	201.00	201.00
FOOD,DRINK AND TOBACCO (C)	190.36	190.36	190.36	201.03	201.03	203.87	203.87	203.87	203.87	208.87	210.64	210.64	210.64	210.64
SAWMILLING,FURNITURE,ETC.	193.41	193.41	193.41	200.37	200.37	200.37	200.37	200.37	200.37	206.67	206.67	215.55	215.55	215.55
PAPER,PRINTING,ETC.	211.40	211.40	211.40	218.87	218.87	218.87	218.87	218.87	218.87	223.87	223.87	224.63	224.63	224.63
OTHER MANUFACTURING (C)	189.43	189.43	189.43	196.21	196.21	196.21	196.21	196.21	196.21	201.81	202.68	202.68	202.68	202.68
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (C)	193.91	193.91	193.95	201.94	201.94	202.72	204.66	204.69	204.69	209.63	212.62	213.90	213.96	213.96
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION	199.74	199.74	199.74	206.59	206.59	206.59	206.59	209.27	209.27	218.94	218.94	218.94	220.45	220.45
RAILWAY SERVICES	194.06	194.06	194.06	201.04	201.04	201.04	219.01	219.01	219.01	226.90	226.90	226.90	226.90	226.90
ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT (C)	187.47	187.47	187.47	194.22	194.22	194.22	194.73	194.73	194.73	204.78	205.57	205.57	205.57	205.57
SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING (D)	224.91	224.91	224.91	233.04	233.04	233.04	233.04	233.04	233.04	235.20	235.20	238.02	238.02	238.02
COMMUNICATION	223.74	223.74	223.74	231.79	231.79	231.79	231.79	237.68	239.06	239.06	239.34	239.34	239.34	239.34
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE (C)	195.14	195.17	195.17	202.18	202.18	202.18	202.52	202.52	202.52	208.72	209.37	209.84	209.84	209.84
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES,SERVICES	201.98	201.98	201.98	209.23	209.23	209.23	209.23	209.23	212.99	218.06	218.06	218.06	218.06	218.06
AMUSEMENTS,HOTELS,ETC.	181.58	181.58	181.58	188.12	188.12	188.12	188.12	188.12	188.53	192.32	193.87	193.87	193.87	194.69
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (C) (E)	198.59	198.60	198.61	206.07	206.07	206.38	209.16	209.81	209.99	216.04	217.99	218.64	218.90	218.91
INDEX NUMBERS (F)														
MINING AND QUARRYING (B)	826.3	826.3	826.3	854.6	854.6	854.6	854.6	854.6	854.6	867.4	920.0	920.0	920.0	920.0
MANUFACTURING -														
ENGINEERING,METALS,VEHICLES(C)	697.1	697.1	697.1	722.1	722.1	722.3	741.0	741.0	741.0	755.7	777.5	777.5	777.5	777.5
TEXTILES,CLOTHING,FOOTWEAR	646.2	646.2	649.9	673.2	673.2	673.2	673.2	676.3	676.3	692.5	706.4	706.4	711.7	711.7
FOOD,DRINK AND TOBACCO (C)	674.0	674.0	674.0	711.8	711.8	721.9	721.9	721.9	721.9	739.6	745.9	745.9	745.9	745.9
SAWMILLING,FURNITURE,ETC.	684.8	684.8	684.8	709.5	709.5	709.5	709.5	709.5	709.5	731.8	731.8	763.2	763.2	763.2
PAPER,PRINTING,ETC.	748.5	748.5	748.5	775.0	775.0	775.0	775.0	775.0	775.0	792.7	792.7	795.4	795.4	795.4
OTHER MANUFACTURING (C)	670.7	670.7	670.7	694.7	694.7	694.7	694.7	694.7	694.7	714.6	717.6	717.6	717.6	717.6
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (C)	686.6	686.6	686.7	715.0	715.0	717.8	724.7	724.8	724.8	742.3	752.9	757.4	757.6	757.6
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION	707.3	707.3	707.3	731.5	731.5	731.5	731.5	741.0	741.0	775.2	775.2	775.2	780.6	780.6
RAILWAY SERVICES	687.1	687.1	687.1	711.9	711.9	711.9	775.5	775.5	775.5	803.4	803.4	803.4	803.4	803.4
ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT (C)	663.8	663.8	663.8	687.7	687.7	687.7	689.5	689.5	689.5	725.1	727.9	727.9	727.9	727.9
SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING (D)	796.4	796.4	796.4	825.1	825.1	825.1	825.1	825.1	825.1	832.8	832.8	842.8	842.8	842.8
COMMUNICATION	792.2	792.2	792.2	820.7	820.7	820.7	820.7	841.6	846.5	846.5	847.5	847.5	847.5	847.5
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE (C)	691.0	691.1	691.1	715.9	715.9	715.9	717.1	717.1	717.1	739.1	741.4	743.0	743.0	743.0
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES,SERVICES	715.2	715.2	715.2	740.9	740.9	740.9	740.9	740.9	754.2	772.1	772.1	772.1	772.1	772.1
AMUSEMENTS,HOTELS,ETC.	643.0	643.0	643.0	666.1	666.1	666.1	666.1	666.1	667.6	681.0	686.5	686.5	686.5	689.4
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (C) (E)	703.2	703.2	703.3	729.7	729.7	730.7	740.6	742.9	743.6	765.0	771.8	774.2	775.1	775.1

(A) FIGURES ARE SUBJECT TO REVISION (B) FOR MINING, WAGE RATES USED ARE THOSE PRESCRIBED FOR THE PRINCIPAL MINING CENTRES AND INCLUDE LEAD BONUSES,ETC (C) INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY AWARD, PART 1, FROM SEPTEMBER 1978. (D) INCLUDES WAGE RATES(AND VALUE OF KEEP) FOR OCCUPATIONS IN THE COASTAL SHIPPING SERVICES, OTHER THAN MASTERS, ENGINEERS AND OTHER OFFICERS. (E) EXCLUDES RURAL INDUSTRY. (F) BASE-WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATE, AUSTRALIA, YEAR 1954= 100.



TABLE 5. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES - ADULT MALES, INDUSTRY GROUPS, SOUTH AUSTRALIA (A)  
WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (EXCLUDING OVERTIME), AS PRESCRIBED IN AWARDS,  
DETERMINATIONS AND COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS ; AND INDEX NUMBERS OF WAGE RATES.

INDUSTRY GROUP	1981												1982		
	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEP.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	
WAGE RATES (\$)															
MINING AND QUARRYING (B)(C)	185.72	185.97	185.97	192.47	192.47	193.62	193.62	193.62	193.62	193.62	193.62	194.83	194.83	194.83	
MANUFACTURING -															
ENGINEERING,METALS,VEHICLES(C)	186.23	186.16	186.13	192.75	193.11	195.23	195.23	195.23	195.23	195.23	207.36	207.36	207.75	207.94	
TEXTILES,CLOTHING,FOOTWEAR	178.02	178.02	178.02	184.42	184.42	184.87	184.87	184.87	184.87	184.87	195.26	195.26	199.52	200.77	
FOOD,DRINK AND TOBACCO (C)	183.20	183.20	183.20	189.80	189.80	191.78	191.78	192.13	193.51	193.51	200.31	200.31	200.95	202.51	
SAWMILLING,FURNITURE,ETC.	178.37	178.37	178.37	184.81	184.81	184.87	184.87	184.87	184.87	184.87	184.87	184.87	185.26	185.64	
PAPER,PRINTING,ETC.	195.04	195.04	195.04	202.06	202.83	201.90	201.90	201.90	201.90	201.90	202.30	202.30	202.68	203.08	
OTHER MANUFACTURING (C)	184.78	184.78	184.78	191.73	191.73	192.27	192.30	192.50	193.06	193.06	197.29	198.54	201.24	202.61	
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (C)	185.27	185.23	185.22	191.89	192.13	193.65	193.65	193.73	193.99	193.99	202.86	203.10	204.07	204.69	
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (C)	208.83	210.79	210.79	218.25	218.25	221.24	221.24	225.84	225.84	225.84	228.49	228.49	230.71	230.71	
RAILWAY SERVICES	182.48	182.48	182.48	189.03	189.03	189.11	189.11	189.11	189.11	189.11	189.11	189.11	189.11	189.11	
ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT (C)	184.68	184.68	184.68	191.32	191.32	195.66	198.83	198.83	198.83	198.83	203.92	203.92	204.22	204.22	
SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING (C)(D)	221.34	222.31	222.31	230.32	230.32	230.62	230.62	231.82	231.82	232.43	236.35	239.43	242.64	242.64	
COMMUNICATION	221.18	221.18	221.18	229.14	229.14	229.14	229.14	235.24	239.13	239.13	239.42	239.42	239.42	239.42	
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE (C)	191.62	191.67	191.67	199.19	199.19	200.64	201.29	201.29	201.29	202.73	207.45	207.45	209.30	212.21	
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES,SERVICES	181.89	181.89	183.29	190.97	190.97	192.09	192.09	192.89	198.93	198.93	198.93	199.16	202.29	208.99	
AMUSEMENTS,HOTELS,ETC.	174.32	174.32	174.32	180.57	180.57	181.80	181.80	181.80	181.80	182.28	197.74	199.60	199.60	200.56	
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (C) (E)	191.35	191.65	191.67	198.66	198.78	200.39	200.60	201.53	201.92	202.15	208.36	208.65	209.89	210.77	
INDEX NUMBERS (F)															
MINING AND QUARRYING (B)(C)	657.6	658.5	658.5	681.5	681.5	685.6	685.6	685.6	685.6	685.6	685.6	689.9	689.9	689.9	
MANUFACTURING -															
ENGINEERING,METALS,VEHICLES(C)	659.4	659.2	659.1	682.5	683.8	691.3	691.3	691.3	691.3	691.3	734.2	734.2	735.6	736.3	
TEXTILES,CLOTHING,FOOTWEAR	630.3	630.3	630.3	653.0	653.0	654.6	654.6	654.6	654.6	654.6	691.4	691.4	706.5	710.9	
FOOD,DRINK AND TOBACCO (C)	648.7	648.7	648.7	672.0	672.0	679.1	679.1	680.3	685.2	685.2	709.3	709.3	711.5	717.0	
SAWMILLING,FURNITURE,ETC.	631.6	631.6	631.6	654.4	654.4	654.6	654.6	654.6	654.6	654.6	654.6	654.6	656.0	657.3	
PAPER,PRINTING,ETC.	690.6	690.6	690.6	715.5	718.2	714.9	714.9	714.9	714.9	714.9	716.3	716.3	717.7	719.1	
OTHER MANUFACTURING (C)	654.3	654.3	654.3	678.9	678.9	680.8	680.9	681.6	683.6	683.6	698.6	703.0	712.6	717.4	
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (C)	656.0	655.9	655.8	679.5	680.3	685.7	685.7	686.0	686.9	686.9	718.3	719.1	722.6	724.8	
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (C)	739.4	746.4	746.4	772.8	772.8	783.4	783.4	799.7	799.7	799.7	809.1	809.1	816.9	816.9	
RAILWAY SERVICES	646.1	646.1	646.1	669.3	669.3	669.6	669.6	669.6	669.6	669.6	669.6	669.6	669.6	669.6	
ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT (C)	653.9	653.9	653.9	677.4	677.4	692.8	704.0	704.0	704.0	704.0	722.0	722.0	723.1	723.1	
SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING (C)(D)	783.7	787.2	787.2	815.5	815.5	816.6	816.6	820.8	820.8	823.0	836.9	847.8	859.1	859.1	
COMMUNICATION	783.2	783.2	783.2	811.3	811.3	811.3	811.3	832.9	846.7	846.7	847.7	847.7	847.7	847.7	
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE (C)	678.5	678.7	678.7	705.3	705.3	710.4	712.7	712.7	712.7	717.8	734.6	734.6	741.1	751.4	
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES,SERVICES	644.0	644.0	649.0	676.2	676.2	680.2	680.2	683.0	704.4	704.4	704.4	705.2	716.3	740.0	
AMUSEMENTS,HOTELS,ETC.	617.2	617.2	617.2	639.4	639.4	643.7	643.7	643.7	643.7	645.4	700.2	706.7	706.7	710.1	
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (C) (E)	677.6	678.6	678.7	703.4	703.8	709.6	710.3	713.6	714.9	715.8	737.8	738.8	743.2	746.3	

(A) FIGURES ARE SUBJECT TO REVISION. (B) FOR MINING, WAGE RATES USED ARE THOSE PRESCRIBED FOR THE PRINCIPAL MINING CENTRES AND INCLUDE LEAD BONUS, ETC. (C) INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY AWARD. PART 1, FROM SEPTEMBER 1978. (D) INCLUDES WAGE RATES AND VALUE OF LEAD FOR OCCUPATIONS IN THE COASTAL SHIPPING SERVICES. (E) OTHER INDUSTRIES, ENGINEERS AND OTHER

TABLE 6. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES - ADULT MALES, EMPLOYED GROUPS, WESTERN AUSTRALIA (A)  
WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (EXCLUDING OVERTIME), AS PRESCRIBED IN AWARDS,  
DETERMINATIONS AND COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS; AND INDEX NUMBERS OF WAGE RATES.

INDUSTRY GROUP	1981											1982		
	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEP.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.
WAGE RATES (\$)														
MINING AND QUARRYING (3)	193.67	193.67	193.67	200.63	200.63	200.63	200.63	200.63	200.63	206.93	206.93	206.93	206.93	206.93
MANUFACTURING -														
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES	188.03	188.03	188.13	193.83	193.83	193.83	193.83	193.83	193.83	200.06	200.06	211.54	211.54	212.29
TEXTILES, CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR	183.86	183.86	183.86	190.44	190.44	190.44	190.44	190.92	190.92	196.60	199.98	201.61	206.43	209.57
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO	192.79	193.13	193.22	199.76	199.76	201.25	201.25	201.80	201.80	208.26	208.26	209.94	209.94	211.43
SAWMILLING, FURNITURE, ETC.	180.47	180.47	180.67	186.86	186.86	186.86	186.86	188.05	188.05	194.11	194.11	203.76	206.84	208.77
PAPER, PRINTING, ETC.	196.92	196.92	196.92	201.03	201.03	201.03	201.03	201.03	201.03	205.75	205.75	208.54	208.54	210.21
OTHER MANUFACTURING	181.22	181.22	181.22	186.53	186.53	186.53	186.53	186.95	187.33	193.41	193.80	195.84	195.84	196.28
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS	186.07	186.12	186.20	191.94	191.94	192.13	192.13	192.51	192.60	198.70	198.91	205.84	206.51	207.60
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION	195.51	195.56	195.56	202.37	202.37	202.37	202.37	208.77	208.77	215.02	215.02	215.06	215.06	215.06
RAILWAY SERVICES	169.01	169.01	170.05	170.99	170.99	170.99	170.99	171.10	171.10	177.19	177.19	177.19	177.19	177.19
ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT	197.20	197.20	197.29	204.39	204.39	204.39	205.45	211.96	211.96	215.65	215.65	219.12	219.12	219.12
SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING (C)	234.86	234.86	234.86	243.35	243.35	243.35	243.35	243.35	243.35	245.59	245.59	251.59	251.59	251.59
COMMUNICATION	225.17	225.17	225.17	233.27	233.27	233.27	233.27	239.14	240.52	240.52	241.09	241.09	241.09	241.09
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	189.74	190.20	190.64	197.48	197.48	197.92	198.16	198.70	198.70	204.94	204.94	208.79	209.77	213.70
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES, SERVICES	191.31	191.31	191.31	198.19	198.19	198.19	198.19	198.19	201.50	206.71	206.71	206.71	206.71	206.71
AMUSEMENTS, HOTELS, ETC.	171.46	172.28	172.28	174.89	174.89	174.89	178.01	178.01	178.01	182.90	184.25	184.40	184.40	184.94
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (D)	190.31	190.43	190.63	196.60	196.60	196.74	196.90	198.62	198.83	204.53	204.65	207.99	208.39	209.49
INDEX NUMBERS (E)														
MINING AND QUARRYING (B)	685.8	685.8	685.8	710.4	710.4	710.4	710.4	710.4	710.4	732.7	732.7	732.7	732.7	732.7
MANUFACTURING -														
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES	665.8	665.8	666.1	686.3	686.3	686.3	686.3	686.3	686.3	708.4	708.4	749.0	749.0	751.7
TEXTILES, CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR	651.0	651.0	651.0	674.3	674.3	674.3	674.3	676.0	676.0	696.1	708.1	713.9	730.9	742.0
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO	682.6	683.8	684.2	707.3	707.3	712.6	712.6	714.5	714.5	737.4	737.4	743.4	743.4	748.7
SAWMILLING, FURNITURE, ETC.	639.0	639.0	639.7	661.6	661.6	661.6	661.6	665.8	665.8	687.3	687.3	721.5	732.4	739.2
PAPER, PRINTING, ETC.	697.2	697.2	697.2	711.8	711.8	711.8	711.8	711.8	711.8	728.5	728.5	738.4	738.4	744.3
OTHER MANUFACTURING	641.7	641.7	641.7	660.5	660.5	660.5	660.5	662.0	663.3	684.8	686.2	693.4	693.4	695.0
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS	658.9	659.0	659.3	679.6	679.6	680.3	680.3	681.6	682.0	703.6	704.3	728.9	731.2	735.1
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION	692.3	692.4	692.4	716.6	716.6	716.6	716.6	739.2	739.2	761.3	761.3	761.5	761.5	761.5
RAILWAY SERVICES	598.4	598.4	602.1	605.4	605.4	605.4	605.4	605.8	605.8	627.4	627.4	627.4	627.4	627.4
ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT	698.3	698.3	698.6	723.7	723.7	723.7	727.5	750.5	750.5	763.6	763.6	775.9	775.9	775.9
SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING (C)	831.6	831.6	831.6	861.7	861.7	861.7	861.7	861.7	861.7	869.6	869.6	890.8	890.8	890.8
COMMUNICATION	797.3	797.3	797.3	826.0	826.0	826.0	826.0	846.8	851.6	851.6	853.7	853.7	853.7	853.7
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	671.8	673.5	675.0	699.2	699.2	700.8	701.7	703.6	703.6	725.7	725.7	739.3	742.8	756.7
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES, SERVICES	677.4	677.4	677.4	701.8	701.8	701.8	701.8	701.8	713.5	731.9	731.9	731.9	731.9	731.9
AMUSEMENTS, HOTELS, ETC.	607.1	610.0	610.0	619.3	619.3	619.3	630.3	630.3	630.3	647.6	652.4	652.9	652.9	654.8
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (D)	673.8	674.3	675.0	696.1	696.1	696.6	697.2	703.3	704.0	724.2	724.6	736.4	737.9	741.8

(A) FIGURES ARE SUBJECT TO REVISION (B) FOR MINING, WAGE RATES USED ARE THOSE PRESCRIBED FOR THE PRINCIPAL MINING CENTRES AND INCLUDE LEAD BONUSES, ETC (C) INCLUDES WAGE RATES (AND VALUE OF KEEP) FOR OCCUPATIONS IN THE COASTAL SHIPPING SERVICES, OTHER THAN MASTERS, ENGINEERS AND OTHER OFFICERS. (D) EXCLUDES RURAL INDUSTRY. (E) BASE-WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATE, AUSTRALIA, YEAR 1954= 100.

TABLE 7. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES - ADULT MALES, INDUSTRY GROUPS, TASMANIA (A)  
WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (EXCLUDING OVERTIME), AS PRESCRIBED IN AWARDS,  
DETERMINATIONS AND COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS ; AND INDEX NUMBERS OF WAGE RATES.

INDUSTRY GROUP	1981											1982		
	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEP.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.
WAGE RATES (\$)														
MINING AND QUARRYING (B)	202.92	202.92	202.92	209.95	209.95	209.95	209.95	209.95	209.95	209.95	216.12	216.12	216.12	216.12
MANUFACTURING -														
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES (C)	188.00	188.00	188.00	194.61	194.61	194.61	194.61	194.61	194.61	194.61	200.70	200.70	200.70	200.70
TEXTILES, CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR	173.73	173.73	173.73	179.97	179.97	180.22	180.22	180.22	180.22	181.49	192.78	192.78	199.82	199.82
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO (C)	185.68	185.68	185.68	192.37	192.37	192.37	193.05	193.05	193.05	193.05	196.01	196.01	197.96	205.49
SAWMILLING, FURNITURE, ETC.	175.14	175.14	175.14	181.46	181.46	181.46	181.46	181.46	181.46	182.84	182.84	183.69	183.69	183.69
PAPER, PRINTING, ETC.	184.22	184.22	184.22	190.85	193.53	193.53	193.53	194.43	194.43	194.43	194.43	194.43	194.43	194.43
OTHER MANUFACTURING (C)	177.65	177.65	177.65	183.89	183.89	183.89	183.89	183.89	183.89	183.89	187.37	187.37	187.67	187.67
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (C)	183.01	183.01	183.01	189.52	189.89	189.91	190.02	190.14	190.14	190.41	194.22	194.34	195.11	196.36
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (C)	195.63	196.62	196.62	203.24	203.24	203.78	203.78	207.30	207.30	207.30	208.47	208.47	208.47	208.47
RAILWAY SERVICES (C)	188.94	188.94	188.94	195.75	195.75	195.75	195.75	195.75	195.75	195.75	197.99	197.99	197.99	197.99
ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT	189.77	189.77	189.77	196.62	196.62	203.28	203.28	203.28	203.28	203.28	203.28	203.28	203.66	203.66
SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING (D)	228.17	228.17	228.17	236.42	236.42	236.42	236.42	236.42	236.42	236.42	236.42	240.89	240.89	240.89
COMMUNICATION	217.45	217.45	217.45	225.27	225.27	225.27	225.27	231.37	232.89	232.89	233.18	233.18	233.18	233.18
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE (C)	192.97	193.02	193.02	199.99	199.99	200.61	201.17	201.17	201.17	202.60	203.70	203.70	204.93	204.93
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES, SERVICES	203.71	203.71	203.71	210.82	210.82	210.82	210.82	210.82	214.66	214.66	214.66	214.66	214.66	214.66
AMUSEMENTS, HOTELS, ETC.	173.35	173.35	173.35	179.59	179.59	179.59	179.59	179.59	179.59	179.59	181.57	181.57	181.57	182.62
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (C) (E)	192.16	192.37	192.37	199.15	199.31	199.68	199.79	200.79	200.90	201.19	203.63	203.93	204.41	204.95
INDEX NUMBERS (F)														
MINING AND QUARRYING (B)	718.5	718.5	718.5	743.4	743.4	743.4	743.4	743.4	743.4	743.4	765.3	765.3	765.3	765.3
MANUFACTURING -														
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES (C)	665.7	665.7	665.7	689.1	689.1	689.1	689.1	689.1	689.1	689.1	710.7	710.7	710.7	710.7
TEXTILES, CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR	615.1	615.1	615.1	637.2	637.2	638.1	638.1	638.1	638.1	642.6	682.6	682.6	707.5	707.5
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO (C)	657.5	657.5	657.5	681.1	681.1	681.1	683.6	683.6	683.6	683.6	694.1	694.1	700.9	727.6
SAWMILLING, FURNITURE, ETC.	620.2	620.2	620.2	642.5	642.5	642.5	642.5	642.5	642.5	647.4	647.4	650.4	650.4	650.4
PAPER, PRINTING, ETC.	652.3	652.3	652.3	675.8	685.3	685.3	685.3	688.4	688.4	688.4	688.4	688.4	688.4	688.4
OTHER MANUFACTURING (C)	629.0	629.0	629.0	651.1	651.1	651.1	651.1	651.1	651.1	651.1	663.5	663.5	664.5	664.5
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (C)	648.0	648.0	648.0	671.1	672.4	672.4	672.8	673.3	673.3	674.2	687.7	688.1	690.9	695.3
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (C)	692.7	696.2	696.2	719.6	719.6	721.6	721.6	734.0	734.0	734.0	738.1	738.1	738.1	738.1
RAILWAY SERVICES (C)	669.0	669.0	669.0	693.1	693.1	693.1	693.1	693.1	693.1	693.1	701.0	701.0	701.0	701.0
ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT	671.9	671.9	671.9	696.2	696.2	719.8	719.8	719.8	719.8	719.8	719.8	719.8	721.1	721.1
SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING (D)	807.9	807.9	807.9	837.1	837.1	837.1	837.1	837.1	837.1	837.1	837.1	853.0	853.0	853.0
COMMUNICATION	769.9	769.9	769.9	797.7	797.7	797.7	797.7	819.2	824.6	824.6	825.6	825.6	825.6	825.6
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE (C)	683.3	683.4	683.4	708.1	708.1	710.3	712.3	712.3	712.3	717.4	721.3	721.3	725.6	725.6
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES, SERVICES	721.3	721.3	721.3	746.5	746.5	746.5	746.5	746.5	760.1	760.1	760.1	760.1	760.1	760.1
AMUSEMENTS, HOTELS, ETC.	613.8	613.8	613.8	635.9	635.9	635.9	635.9	635.9	635.9	635.9	642.9	642.9	642.9	646.6
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (C) (E)	680.4	681.1	681.1	705.2	705.7	707.0	707.4	711.0	711.4	712.4	721.0	722.1	723.8	725.7

(A) FIGURES ARE SUBJECT TO REVISION (B) FOR MINING, WAGE RATES USED ARE THOSE PRESCRIBED FOR THE PRINCIPAL MINING CENTRES AND INCLUDE LEAD BONUSES, ETC. (C) INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY AWARD, PART 1, FROM SEPTEMBER 1978. (D) INCLUDES WAGE RATES AND VALUE OF KEEP FOR OCCUPATIONS IN THE COASTAL SHIPPING SERVICES, OTHER THAN MASTERS, ENGINEERS AND OTHER CREW. (E) EXCLUDES RURAL INDUSTRY. (F) BASE-WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATE, AUSTRALIA YEAR 1954 = 100.

TABLE 8. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES - ADULT MALES,  
FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS, ETC. (A)  
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WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S  
WORK (EXCLUDING OVERTIME), AS PRESCRIBED IN AWARDS,  
DETERMINATIONS AND COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS.

END OF -	N.S.W.	VIC.	QLD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	AUST.
FEDERAL AWARDS, ETC. (B)(C)							
1981 -							
FEBRUARY	196.32	191.10	212.01	194.79	214.58	193.74	195.43
MARCH	196.32	191.10	212.03	195.06	214.61	194.04	195.47
APRIL	196.32	191.10	212.03	195.06	214.61	194.04	195.47
MAY	203.32	198.00	219.49	202.06	222.33	200.89	202.47
JUNE	203.42	198.00	219.49	202.06	222.33	201.11	202.52
JULY	203.52	199.18	219.51	203.69	222.33	201.48	203.19
AUGUST	203.79	199.73	219.79	203.97	222.95	201.58	203.56
SEPTEMBER	205.03	201.85	222.35	205.15	226.29	203.02	205.24
OCTOBER	205.44	202.34	223.04	205.57	227.71	203.18	205.70
NOVEMBER	207.26	204.24	226.98	205.88	229.03	203.47	207.44
DECEMBER	217.81	211.79	234.08	212.76	229.63	206.98	215.81
1982 -							
JANUARY	218.35	213.10	234.44	213.08	230.95	207.35	216.60
FEBRUARY	219.18	214.87	235.47	213.57	231.38	207.76	217.72
MARCH	219.29	215.05	235.53	213.69	231.45	208.55	217.88
STATE AWARDS, ETC. (B)							
1981 -							
FEBRUARY	192.43	197.00	194.09	182.86	186.75	188.57	192.26
MARCH	192.31	197.62	194.09	183.21	186.89	188.57	192.36
APRIL	192.25	197.74	194.10	183.28	187.12	188.57	192.40
MAY	199.28	204.73	201.57	190.24	192.83	195.22	199.33
JUNE	199.46	204.77	201.57	190.65	192.83	195.22	199.43
JULY	199.60	204.89	201.96	192.25	192.99	195.59	199.71
AUGUST	201.03	204.89	205.58	192.25	193.08	195.74	201.09
SEPTEMBER	201.54	205.43	205.60	192.59	194.56	195.74	201.60
OCTOBER	202.96	208.61	205.61	192.87	194.60	195.74	202.75
NOVEMBER	205.49	210.94	212.37	192.91	200.94	196.01	206.51
DECEMBER	208.35	216.91	212.58	197.46	200.99	196.01	209.00
1982 -							
JANUARY	210.75	221.18	213.33	197.67	204.62	196.18	211.37
FEBRUARY	210.84	221.64	213.33	200.80	205.02	196.80	211.73
MARCH	212.18	223.94	213.33	203.55	206.26	196.80	212.98

(A) EXCLUDES RURAL INDUSTRY. FIGURES ARE SUBJECT TO  
REVISION. (B) THE WAGE RATES FOR THESE TWO CATEGORIES MAY CHANGE AT  
ANY TIME AS A RESULT OF THE TRANSFER OF PARTICULAR AWARDS OR  
OCCUPATIONS FROM ONE JURISDICTION TO ANOTHER. (C) FOR STATES OTHER  
THAN WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE  
METAL INDUSTRY AWARD, PART 1.



TABLE 9. - HOURLY WAGE RATES - ADULT MALES, INDUSTRY GROUPS, 31 MARCH 1982 (A)  
WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM HOURLY RATES PAYABLE AND INDEX NUMBERS OF HOURLY RATES.

INDUSTRY GROUP	N.S.W.	VIC.	QLD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	AUST.
WAGE RATES (CENTS)							
MINING AND QUARRYING (B) (C)	803.70	532.66	685.93	487.08	542.23	552.50	700.90
MANUFACTURING -							
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES (C)	521.15	549.48	554.96	529.93	531.20	506.31	533.41
TEXTILES, CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR	511.94	514.92	502.50	501.92	523.91	499.54	512.58
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO (C)	523.75	535.53	526.79	507.46	536.64	515.97	527.10
SAWMILLING, FURNITURE, ETC.	493.32	487.99	538.88	464.11	521.93	459.24	500.25
PAPER, PRINTING, ETC. (C)	510.70	542.30	566.46	507.70	536.14	486.06	525.42
OTHER MANUFACTURING (C)	523.93	524.38	507.39	510.63	490.70	472.04	518.58
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (C)	519.01	534.40	537.42	518.28	520.66	493.26	525.17
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (C)	604.77	622.32	551.13	578.13	537.65	522.11	587.36
RAILWAY SERVICES (C)	441.29	464.58	567.24	472.77	442.98	496.63	482.81
ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT (C)	539.08	511.02	513.93	514.37	547.80	509.14	525.73
COMMUNICATION	628.73	630.89	625.35	633.96	629.92	610.86	628.76
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE (C)	544.07	563.27	525.11	531.99	534.25	513.12	543.87
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES, ETC.	561.64	569.72	551.72	532.74	522.27	544.99	554.91
AMUSEMENTS, HOTELS, ETC.	496.57	501.51	486.73	501.39	462.34	456.54	493.89
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (C) (D)	546.50	547.75	549.20	529.21	523.98	510.05	542.97
INDEX NUMBERS (E)							
MINING AND QUARRYING (B) (C)	1136.0	752.9	969.5	688.4	766.4	780.9	990.7
MANUFACTURING -							
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES (C)	736.6	776.7	784.4	749.0	750.8	715.6	754.0
TEXTILES, CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR	723.6	727.8	710.2	709.4	740.5	706.1	724.5
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO (C)	740.3	756.9	744.6	717.3	758.5	729.3	745.0
SAWMILLING, FURNITURE, ETC.	697.3	689.7	761.7	656.0	737.7	649.1	707.1
PAPER, PRINTING, ETC. (C)	721.8	766.5	800.6	717.6	757.8	687.0	742.8
OTHER MANUFACTURING (C)	740.5	741.2	717.2	721.7	693.6	667.2	732.8
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (C)	733.6	755.3	759.6	732.5	735.9	697.2	742.3
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (C)	854.8	879.6	779.0	817.1	759.9	738.0	830.2
RAILWAY SERVICES (C)	623.7	656.7	801.8	668.2	626.1	701.9	682.4
ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT (C)	762.0	722.3	726.4	727.0	774.3	719.6	743.1
COMMUNICATION	888.7	891.7	883.9	896.1	890.3	863.4	888.7
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE (C)	769.0	796.1	742.2	751.9	755.1	725.3	768.7
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES, ETC.	793.8	805.3	779.8	753.0	738.2	770.3	784.3
AMUSEMENTS, HOTELS, ETC.	701.9	708.9	688.0	708.7	653.5	645.3	698.1
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (C) (D)	772.4	774.2	776.3	748.0	740.6	720.9	767.5

(A) FIGURES SUBJECT TO REVISION. (B) FOR MINING, WAGE RATES USED ARE THOSE PRESCRIBED FOR THE PRINCIPAL MINING CENTRES AND INCLUDE LEAD BONUSES, ETC. (C) FOR STATES OTHER THAN WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY AWARD PART 1. (D) EXCLUDES RURAL INDUSTRY AND SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING. THE FORMER IS NOT INCLUDED IN THE WAGE RATES INDEXES AND FOR THE LATTER DEFINITE PARTICULARS FOR THE COMPUTATION OF HOURLY WAGE RATES ARE NOT AVAILABLE. (E) BASE-WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM HOURLY WAGE RATE, AUSTRALIA, YEAR 1954 = 100.

TABLE 10. - HOURLY WAGE RATES - ADULT MALES, ALL GROUPS (A)  
WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM HOURLY RATES PAYABLE AND INDEX NUMBERS OF  
HOURLY RATES.

END OF -	N.S.W.	VIC.	QLD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	AUST.
WAGE RATES (CENTS)							
1981 -							
FEBRUARY	487.90	481.16	496.60	476.80	475.54	476.49	484.97
MARCH	487.76	481.63	496.61	477.48	475.87	477.05	485.15
APRIL	487.70	481.72	496.65	477.54	476.38	477.05	485.20
MAY	505.28	499.00	515.34	494.96	491.22	493.85	502.62
JUNE	505.63	499.03	515.34	495.27	491.22	494.26	502.80
JULY	505.92	501.21	516.12	499.44	491.59	495.25	504.07
AUGUST	507.93	502.21	523.34	499.97	492.00	495.55	506.20
SEPTEMBER	510.30	506.44	525.04	502.29	496.44	498.21	509.15
OCTOBER	512.49	509.73	525.51	503.28	496.99	498.51	511.14
NOVEMBER	517.95	514.84	541.03	503.83	511.58	499.26	517.91
DECEMBER	536.49	532.91	546.07	519.61	511.90	505.74	532.61
1982 -							
JANUARY	539.55	538.19	547.52	520.08	520.09	505.88	536.11
FEBRUARY	540.85	541.71	548.20	523.01	521.13	507.15	538.08
MARCH	546.50	547.75	549.20	529.21	523.98	510.05	542.97
INDEX NUMBERS (B)							
1981 -							
FEBRUARY	689.6	680.1	701.9	673.9	672.1	673.5	685.5
MARCH	689.4	680.7	701.9	674.9	672.6	674.3	685.7
APRIL	689.3	680.9	702.0	675.0	673.3	674.3	685.8
MAY	714.2	705.3	728.4	699.6	694.3	698.0	710.4
JUNE	714.7	705.3	728.4	700.0	694.3	698.6	710.7
JULY	715.1	708.4	729.5	705.9	694.8	700.0	712.5
AUGUST	717.9	709.8	739.7	706.7	695.4	700.4	715.5
SEPTEMBER	721.3	715.8	742.1	709.9	701.7	704.2	719.7
OCTOBER	724.4	720.5	742.8	711.4	702.5	704.6	722.5
NOVEMBER	732.1	727.7	764.7	712.1	723.1	705.7	732.0
DECEMBER	758.3	753.2	771.8	734.4	723.5	714.8	752.8
1982 -							
JANUARY	762.6	760.7	773.9	735.1	735.1	715.0	757.8
FEBRUARY	764.5	765.7	774.8	739.2	736.6	716.8	760.5
MARCH	772.4	774.2	776.3	748.0	740.6	720.9	767.5

(A) FIGURES ARE SUBJECT TO REVISION. FOR STATES OTHER THAN WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY AWARD, PART 1. (B) BASE-WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM HOURLY WAGE RATE, AUSTRALIA, YEAR 1954 = 100.

TABLE 11. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES - ADULT FEMALES, INDUSTRY GROUPS, 31 MARCH 1982 (A)  
WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (EXCLUDING OVERTIME),  
AS PRESCRIBED IN AWARDS, DETERMINATIONS AND COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS ; AND INDEX NUMBERS OF  
WAGE RATES.

INDUSTRY GROUP	N.S.W.	VIC.	QLD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	AUST.
WAGE RATES (\$)							
MANUFACTURING -							
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES (B)	206.04	212.35	201.47	200.64	212.38	202.65	207.34
TEXTILES, CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR	197.81	196.37	194.24	196.98	199.70	191.22	196.79
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO	208.46	201.45	191.93	195.53	196.29	191.10	201.77
OTHER MANUFACTURING (B)	193.78	200.19	193.23	184.67	194.32	175.00	195.09
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (B)	199.78	199.99	194.40	195.13	199.14	190.16	198.99
TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION	195.46	201.37	206.52	201.32	201.64	209.37	200.04
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	214.92	223.26	207.31	211.04	215.17	183.80	214.94
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES AND SERVICES	210.94	219.99	197.29	210.81	197.99	203.85	210.57
AMUSEMENTS, HOTELS, ETC.	190.86	196.63	182.47	194.53	178.52	178.32	190.11
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (B)(C)	203.42	206.52	198.40	202.09	202.15	188.37	203.43
INDEX NUMBERS (D)							
MANUFACTURING -							
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES (B)	1035.0	1066.7	1012.0	1007.8	1066.8	1017.9	1041.5
TEXTILES, CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR	993.6	986.4	975.7	989.4	1003.1	960.5	988.5
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO	1047.1	1011.9	964.1	982.2	986.0	959.9	1013.5
OTHER MANUFACTURING (B)	973.4	1005.6	970.6	927.6	976.1	879.0	980.0
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (B)	1003.5	1004.6	976.5	980.2	1000.3	955.2	999.6
TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION	981.8	1011.5	1037.4	1011.3	1012.9	1051.7	1004.3
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	1079.5	1121.4	1041.3	1060.1	1080.8	923.2	1079.6
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES AND SERVICES	1059.6	1105.0	991.0	1058.9	994.5	1024.0	1057.7
AMUSEMENTS, HOTELS, ETC.	958.7	987.7	916.6	977.2	896.7	895.7	954.9
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (B)(C)	1021.8	1037.4	996.6	1015.1	1015.4	946.2	1021.9

(A) FIGURES SUBJECT TO REVISION. (B) FOR STATES OTHER THAN WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY AWARD, PART 1. (C) EXCLUDES RURAL INDUSTRY; MINING AND QUARRYING; AND BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION. (D) BASE-WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATE, AUSTRALIA, YEAR 1954 = 100.

TABLE 12. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES - ADULT FEMALES, ALL GROUPS (A)

WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (EXCLUDING OVERTIME), AS PRESCRIBED IN AWARDS, DETERMINATIONS AND COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS; AND INDEX NUMBERS OF WAGE RATES

END OF -	N.S.W.	VIC.	QLD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	AUST.
WAGE RATES (\$)							
1981 -							
FEBRUARY	180.33	181.17	183.18	179.13	179.60	172.72	180.62
MARCH	180.38	181.17	183.18	179.13	179.60	172.72	180.64
APRIL	180.38	181.17	183.18	179.27	179.60	172.72	180.65
MAY	186.84	187.69	189.77	185.72	185.28	178.95	187.10
JUNE	186.97	187.69	189.77	185.75	185.28	179.03	187.16
JULY	187.03	187.72	189.83	186.78	185.66	179.22	187.30
AUGUST	187.83	187.79	190.28	186.95	186.42	179.31	187.75
SEPTEMBER	188.42	188.85	191.21	187.65	187.06	180.36	188.55
OCTOBER	189.50	189.93	191.79	188.22	187.60	180.88	189.50
NOVEMBER	194.30	192.35	196.77	189.51	193.53	181.39	193.25
DECEMBER	198.57	197.68	197.35	195.25	194.03	183.64	197.35
1982 -							
JANUARY	200.42	202.33	197.41	195.50	196.91	183.64	199.83
FEBRUARY	201.91	204.91	198.35	198.83	198.05	186.75	201.78
MARCH	203.42	206.52	198.40	202.09	202.15	188.37	203.43
INDEX NUMBERS (B)							
1981 -							
FEBRUARY	905.8	910.0	920.1	899.8	902.1	867.6	907.3
MARCH	906.1	910.0	920.1	899.8	902.1	867.6	907.4
APRIL	906.1	910.0	920.1	900.5	902.2	867.6	907.4
MAY	938.5	942.8	953.2	932.9	930.7	898.9	939.8
JUNE	939.2	942.8	953.2	933.0	930.7	899.3	940.1
JULY	939.5	942.9	953.5	938.2	932.6	900.2	940.8
AUGUST	943.5	943.3	955.8	939.1	936.4	900.7	943.1
SEPTEMBER	946.4	948.6	960.5	942.6	939.6	906.0	947.1
OCTOBER	951.9	954.0	963.4	945.5	942.4	908.6	951.9
NOVEMBER	976.0	966.2	988.4	952.0	972.1	911.2	970.7
DECEMBER	997.5	992.9	991.3	980.8	974.6	922.4	991.3
1982 -							
JANUARY	1006.7	1016.3	991.6	982.0	989.1	922.4	1003.8
FEBRUARY	1014.2	1029.3	996.4	998.7	994.8	938.1	1013.5
MARCH	1021.8	1037.4	996.6	1015.1	1015.4	946.2	1021.9

(A) FIGURES ARE SUBJECT TO REVISION. FOR STATES OTHER THAN WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY AWARD, PART 1. (B) BASE-WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATE, AUSTRALIA, YEAR 1954 = 100.



TABLE 13. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES - ADULT FEMALES,  
FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS, ETC. (A)

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WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK  
(EXCLUDING OVERTIME), AS PRESCRIBED IN AWARDS, DETERMINATIONS AND  
COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS.

END OF -	N.S.W.	VIC.	QLD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	AUST.
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## FEDERAL AWARDS, ETC. (B)(C)

1981 -							
FEBRUARY	170.92	171.14	176.13	173.48	176.20	172.02	171.74
MARCH	170.92	171.14	176.13	173.48	176.20	172.02	171.74
APRIL	170.92	171.14	176.13	173.48	176.20	172.02	171.74
MAY	177.08	177.39	182.48	179.72	182.55	178.22	177.96
JUNE	177.17	177.39	182.48	179.72	182.55	178.38	178.00
JULY	177.19	177.44	182.51	179.89	182.55	178.38	178.04
AUGUST	177.35	177.55	183.01	180.30	182.78	178.53	178.23
SEPTEMBER	178.43	178.51	185.01	181.78	185.35	180.59	179.42
OCTOBER	179.26	179.88	186.73	182.95	187.27	181.62	180.59
NOVEMBER	183.42	184.04	191.81	185.47	192.07	182.62	184.66
DECEMBER	188.92	190.10	193.55	192.14	194.08	187.02	190.05
1982 -							
JANUARY	189.39	190.27	193.55	192.14	194.08	187.02	190.31
FEBRUARY	192.48	194.89	196.35	194.59	198.64	189.40	193.97
MARCH	192.76	195.57	196.50	195.99	198.96	192.57	194.54

## STATE AWARDS, ETC. (B)

1981 -							
FEBRUARY	188.24	193.93	186.76	183.01	180.72	173.44	188.33
MARCH	188.32	193.93	186.76	183.01	180.72	173.44	188.37
APRIL	188.32	193.93	186.76	183.23	180.73	173.44	188.38
MAY	195.03	200.81	193.48	189.83	186.18	179.70	195.03
JUNE	195.20	200.81	193.48	189.88	186.18	179.70	195.11
JULY	195.29	200.81	193.55	191.50	186.69	180.09	195.33
AUGUST	196.63	200.81	193.97	191.50	187.62	180.12	196.02
SEPTEMBER	196.80	202.01	194.37	191.68	187.62	180.12	196.48
OCTOBER	198.10	202.71	194.37	191.83	187.71	180.12	197.24
NOVEMBER	203.42	202.94	199.29	192.28	194.01	180.12	200.70
DECEMBER	206.68	207.32	199.29	197.38	194.01	180.12	203.69
1982 -							
JANUARY	209.68	217.67	199.37	197.80	197.85	180.12	208.10
FEBRUARY	209.82	217.67	199.37	201.74	197.85	184.00	208.55
MARCH	212.37	220.46	199.37	206.28	203.21	184.00	211.15

(A) EXCLUDES RURAL INDUSTRY; MINING AND QUARRYING; AND BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION. FIGURES ARE SUBJECT TO REVISION. (B) THE WAGE RATES FOR THESE TWO CATEGORIES MAY CHANGE AT ANY TIME AS A RESULT OF THE TRANSFER OF PARTICULAR AWARDS OR OCCUPATIONS FROM ONE JURISDICTION TO ANOTHER. (C) FOR STATES OTHER THAN WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY AWARD PART 1.

TABLE 14. - HOURLY WAGE RATES - ADULT FEMALES, INDUSTRY GROUPS, 31 MARCH 1982 (A)

WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM HOURLY RATES PAYABLE AND INDEX NUMBERS OF HOURLY RATES.

INDUSTRY GROUP	N.S.W.	VIC.	QLD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	AUST.
WAGE RATES (CENTS)							
MANUFACTURING -							
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES (B)	529.83	542.76	510.98	513.86	530.95	515.22	530.72
TEXTILES, CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR	495.10	490.93	485.59	492.44	499.25	478.05	492.20
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO	521.15	503.62	479.82	488.83	490.72	477.76	504.43
OTHER MANUFACTURING (B)	487.93	504.65	483.07	464.84	485.81	437.49	491.00
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (B)	503.29	502.32	486.83	492.39	497.86	476.19	500.37
TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION	513.86	530.72	546.26	532.10	532.49	577.08	527.65
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	543.36	558.15	518.27	527.61	537.92	459.49	539.76
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES AND SERVICES	547.96	560.51	502.78	537.95	502.04	541.08	540.97
AMUSEMENTS, HOTELS, ETC.	484.36	492.33	457.25	488.14	447.20	447.19	479.12
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (B)(C)	516.09	519.98	500.03	509.97	508.13	475.72	513.95
INDEX NUMBERS (D)							
MANUFACTURING -							
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES (B)	1054.1	1081.8	1018.5	1024.2	1058.3	1026.9	1057.8
TEXTILES, CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR	986.8	978.5	967.9	981.6	995.1	952.9	981.1
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO	1038.8	1003.8	956.4	974.3	978.1	952.3	1005.4
OTHER MANUFACTURING (B)	972.6	1005.9	962.9	926.5	968.3	872.0	978.7
ALL MANUFACTURING GROUPS (B)	1003.2	1001.2	970.4	981.4	992.3	949.2	997.4
TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION	1024.2	1057.8	1088.8	1060.6	1061.4	1150.2	1051.7
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	1083.0	1112.5	1033.0	1051.6	1072.2	915.9	1075.9
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES AND SERVICES	1092.2	1117.2	1002.2	1072.2	1000.7	1078.5	1078.3
AMUSEMENTS, HOTELS, ETC.	965.4	981.3	911.4	973.0	891.4	891.4	955.0
ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS (B)(C)	1028.7	1036.4	996.7	1016.5	1012.8	948.2	1024.4

(A) FIGURES SUBJECT TO REVISION. (B) FOR STATES OTHER THAN WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY AWARD, PART 1. (C) EXCLUDES RURAL INDUSTRY; MINING AND QUARRYING; AND BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION. (D) BASE-WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM HOURLY WAGE RATE, AUSTRALIA, YEAR 1954 = 100.

TABLE 15. - HOURLY WAGE RATES - ADULT FEMALES, ALL GROUPS (A)

WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM HOURLY RATES PAYABLE AND INDEX NUMBERS OF HOURLY RATES

END OF -	N.S.W.	VIC.	QLD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	AUST.
WAGE RATES (CENTS)							
1981 -							
FEBRUARY	456.25	455.10	461.40	450.46	451.44	435.89	455.30
MARCH	456.37	455.10	461.40	450.46	451.44	435.89	455.35
APRIL	456.37	455.10	461.40	450.80	451.45	435.89	455.37
MAY	472.72	471.50	478.00	467.02	465.72	451.60	471.63
JUNE	473.05	471.50	478.00	467.10	465.72	451.81	471.78
JULY	473.19	471.57	478.15	469.69	466.68	452.28	472.13
AUGUST	475.22	471.74	479.28	470.11	468.59	452.52	473.28
SEPTEMBER	476.70	474.41	481.63	471.89	470.19	455.16	475.30
OCTOBER	479.44	477.11	483.10	473.32	471.56	456.49	477.70
NOVEMBER	491.58	483.21	495.63	476.57	486.45	457.78	487.13
DECEMBER	502.40	496.57	497.11	490.99	487.71	463.45	497.47
1982 -							
JANUARY	507.08	508.25	497.25	491.62	494.96	463.45	503.73
FEBRUARY	510.84	514.75	499.63	500.00	497.81	471.30	508.63
MARCH	516.09	519.98	500.03	509.97	508.13	475.72	513.95
INDEX NUMBERS (B)							
1981 -							
FEBRUARY	909.4	907.1	919.7	897.9	899.8	868.8	907.5
MARCH	909.7	907.1	919.7	897.9	899.8	868.8	907.6
APRIL	909.7	907.1	919.7	898.5	899.8	868.8	907.7
MAY	942.2	939.8	952.8	930.9	928.3	900.1	940.1
JUNE	942.9	939.8	952.8	931.0	928.3	900.6	940.4
JULY	943.2	939.9	953.1	936.2	930.2	901.5	941.1
AUGUST	947.2	940.3	955.3	937.0	934.0	902.0	943.4
SEPTEMBER	950.2	945.6	960.0	940.6	937.2	907.2	947.4
OCTOBER	955.6	951.0	962.9	943.4	939.9	909.9	952.2
NOVEMBER	979.8	963.1	987.9	949.9	969.6	912.5	971.0
DECEMBER	1001.4	989.8	990.8	978.6	972.1	923.8	991.6
1982 -							
JANUARY	1010.7	1013.1	991.1	979.9	986.6	923.8	1004.0
FEBRUARY	1018.2	1026.0	995.9	996.6	992.2	939.4	1013.8
MARCH	1028.7	1036.4	996.7	1016.5	1012.8	948.2	1024.4

(A) FIGURES ARE SUBJECT TO REVISION. FOR STATES OTHER THAN WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INCLUDES SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY AWARD, PART 1. (B) BASE-WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM HOURLY WAGE RATE, AUSTRALIA, YEAR 1954 = 100.

## II. GENERAL INCREASES IN AWARD WAGES

The following table gives details of general increases in award wages as a result of recent wage hearings (e.g. indexation cases). More detailed information on wage determination in Australia is contained in *Year Book Australia* (1301.0). Figures for earlier periods were published in *Labour Statistics, Australia, 1980* (6101.0) and in earlier issues of this publication.

TABLE 16. GENERAL INCREASES IN AWARD WAGES—ADULTS, FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS, ETC.

Date operative(a)	Increase	Date operative	Increase
1979—27 June	3.2 per cent	1981— 9 January(b)	3.7 per cent
1980— 4 January(b)	4.5 per cent	7 May(b)(c)	3.6 per cent
14 July	4.2 per cent		

(a) Rates are generally operative from the first pay-period on or after the date shown, except where otherwise indicated in the footnotes. (b) The operative dates under Queensland State awards, etc. were 7 January 1980, 12 January 1981 and 11 May 1981 respectively. (c) For South Australian State awards an additional amount of 0.9 per cent, effective from the first pay period commencing on or after 3 July 1981, was awarded where wages were less than \$250.00 a week prior to 7 May 1981.

NOTE. (i) In Western Australia, indexation increases up to May 1981 applied automatically to many individual awards and agreements and others received an automatic flow on from Federal indexation decisions, but for the remainder separate claims to the Western Australian Industrial Commission were required before increases were granted. The other-than-automatic increases, once granted, may have differed from the automatic increases and may have also differed from award to award.

(ii) On 31 July 1981 the Australian Conciliation and Arbitration Commission formally abandoned wage fixation based on movements in the Consumer Price Index. Since then some State industrial tribunals have granted general increases based on movements in the Consumer Price Index, as follows:

Date operative	Increase
1981—16 November, Western Australian Industrial Commission	\$6.30
30 November, Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Commission of Queensland	\$6.30 males \$5.10 females
1982— 1 January, New South Wales Industrial Commission (except for awards where increases, other than work value, were effective since 1 July 1981.)	4.3 per cent

## III. MINIMUM WAGES AND BASIC WAGES

TABLE 17. MINIMUM WAGE : WEEKLY RATES, ADULTS, FEDERAL AWARDS, ETC.  
(S)

Date operative(a)	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Six State Capital cities	Canberra	Darwin(h)
1979—27 June	124.90	123.80	121.50	123.40	123.90	124.60	123.90	124.10	127.60
1980— 4 January	130.50	129.40	127.00	129.00	129.50	130.20	129.50	129.70	133.30
14 July	136.00	134.80	132.30	134.40	134.90	135.70	134.90	135.10	138.90
1981— 9 January	141.00	139.80	137.20	139.40	139.90	140.70	139.90	140.10	144.00
7 May	146.10	144.80	142.10	144.40	144.90	145.80	144.90	145.10	149.20

(a) Rates are operative from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing on or after the date shown. (b) Rates shown for Darwin are applicable in the Northern Territory north of the 20th parallel of south latitude. Rates for the Northern Territory south of this parallel are \$2.40 a week less from 7 May 1981, with lesser amounts applicable for earlier periods.

TABLE 18. MINIMUM WAGE : WEEKLY RATES, ADULTS, STATE AWARDS, ETC.  
(S)

Date operative(a)	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld(b)	S.A.	W.A.(c)	Tas.
1979—27 June	124.90	123.80	124.40	123.40	126.90	125.80
1980— 4 January	130.50	129.40	(d)130.00	129.00	132.60	131.50
14 July	136.00	134.80	135.50	134.40	138.20	137.00
1981— 9 January	141.00	139.80	(d)140.50	139.40	143.30	142.10
7 May	146.10	144.80	(d)145.60	144.40	148.50	147.20
3 July	146.10	144.80	145.60	145.70	148.50	147.20
16 November	146.10	144.80	145.60	145.70	151.20	147.20
30 November	146.10	144.80	151.90	145.70	151.20	147.20

(a) Rates are operative from the first pay-period commencing on or after the date shown, except in Queensland, where the rates are operative as from the date shown. (b) For appropriate district allowances in Queensland see below. (c) On 16 November 1981 the Western Australian Industrial Commission abolished the difference between male and female minimum wage levels. Prior to that, the female rate was generally 97.5 per cent of the male adult rate. (d) See footnote (a) to Table 16.

## BASIC WAGES

Basic wages ceased to operate under Federal, Victorian and South Australian jurisdictions some years ago, when wage rates were expressed as total wages; however, they still exist in the remaining States. In New South Wales the rates from 7 May 1981 were \$89.10 for adult males and \$79.80 for adult females; however, since November 1977 no difference in specified rates of pay on the ground of sex has been permitted under any award, the rate for males applying to females also. In Queensland the rates for the Southern Division Eastern District (including Brisbane) from 30 November 1981 were \$103.40 for adult males and \$83.30 for adult females. District allowances are added for other areas Southern Division (Western District): males \$1.05, females 80c; Mackay Division: males 90c, females 68c; Northern Division (Eastern District): males \$1.05, females 80c; and Northern Division (Western District): males \$3.25, females \$2.45. In Western Australia the basic wage has not been changed since May 1974 and remains at \$48.50 for adult males and \$43.50 for adult females, although total wages have been varied at regular intervals. (See Table 16.) In Tasmania the basic wage from 7 May 1981 was \$93.60 for both adult males and females.